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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6392**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 129**

**NOTE PREPARED:** Nov 19, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Special Taxing District Property.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Antich

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
                                 **DEDICATED**  
                                 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that certain special taxing districts or a municipality having a municipally owned utility may not tax property for purposes related to the special taxing district or the utility unless the property is served by the district or the utility.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2004.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Property taxes assessed by a special taxing district (waterworks, storm water, and solid waste districts) or a municipal utility for the repayment of bonds are currently assessed on all parcels within the geographical area contained within the special taxing district or municipal utility, whether or not that special taxing district or utility actually provides services to a particular parcel. This bill would allow these special taxing districts or municipal utilities to levy property tax only on those parcels actually receiving the service. This would require the special district or municipally owned utility to identify to the county auditor all parcels served by the district or utility; the county auditor would then assess the tax on those parcels and not on the parcels not served by the district or utility. These tasks would incur some data processing costs for both the utility and the county auditor, but they cannot be estimated.

This bill suspends this limitation on property to be taxed if the tax is collected to redeem a bond issued before July 1, 2004, if bondholder rights would be impaired.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** This bill would not change the property tax levy received by the special

district or municipally owned utility, but would shift taxes from property owners not served by the utility to those being served by the utility. The amount of the tax shift cannot be estimated.

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Local Government Finance.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Municipally owned utilities; County Auditors, Assessors, and Treasurers.

**Information Sources:**

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